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The Security Council,

Recalling its primary responsibility under the United Nations Charter for the maintenance of international peace and security,

Deeply concerned that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) used military force against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia without the authorization by the Council,

Affirming that such unilateral use of force constitutes a flagrant violation of the United Nations Charter, in particular Articles 2 (4), 24 and 53,

Recognizing that the ban by NATO of civil flights in the airspace of a number of countries in the region constitutes a flagrant violation of the principle of complete and exclusive sovereignty of every State over the airspace above its territory in accordance with article 1 of the Chicago Convention on International Civil Aviation,

Recalling all its relevant resolutions and decisions, in particular the Statement of its President of 29 January 1999 (S/PRST/1999/5), in which it, inter alia, expressed the intention to be informed by members of the Contact Group about the progress reached in the negotiations on a political settlement of the situation in Kosovo, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, and awaiting such a report,

Reaffirming its commitment to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia,

Determining that the use of force by NATO against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia constitutes a threat to international peace and security,

Acting under Chapters VII and VIII of the Charter,

1. Demands an immediate cessation of the use of force against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and urgent resumption of negotiations;

2. Decides to remain actively seized of the matter.